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Bill read the second time and the house went into committee thereon, Mr. Applewhaite in the chair.

[Mr. Knowles.]

On clause 1-

Mrs. Fairclough: The Postmaster General has not anwered some of the points we brought up. Does he propose to do so?

Mr. T. A. M. Kirk (Parliamentary Assistant to the Postmaster General): Mr. Chairman, the hon. member for Hamilton West did ask three or four questions. She asked first, I believe, how many centres would be involved in the mailing. I presume she meant mailing centres by each of these various magazines or periodicals. Frankly, I do not think anyone can give a definite answer to the question, because there are between 500 and 600 magazines in Canada which would be affected by such a change, if they wished to take advantage of it.

Mrs. Fairclough: I believe my question referred to a magazine having national distribution.

Mr. Kirk (Shelburne-Yarmouth-Clare): The company may ask for certain centres, and then in his wisdom the Postmaster General will decide whether he will grant one, two, three or four such centres. I do not think the question can be answered more specifically than that.

Then the hon, member asked what effect the provision would have on the content of the advertising. The Post Office Department studies magazines periodically to ascertain the percentage of reading material such as editorials and news items, and whether the smaller half—to use an Irish expression—consists of advertising. That is the only examination made by the department on that score.

With respect to revenue; the bill states that the decision will be made so that it will not adversely affect postal revenue.

Then the hon, member referred to these newspapers and periodicals being carried in the seats of aircraft. In such cases they are not being carried in aircraft as mail, but rather as air cargo. It is my understanding that when they are delivered to a certain town or city they are then sent by truck to the newsstands for sale, and are not sent to the post office for posting. I believe I have answered all the questions.

Mr. Fleming: Mr. Chairman, in case some attempt should be made to put upon what has lately been done in the house an interpretation that is not warranted, I should like to make one point crystal clear, with the assistance of the parliamentary assistant in the Post Office Department.